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Re: Docket Nos. 2007-445-A and 2007-421-T

Dear Mr. Terreni,

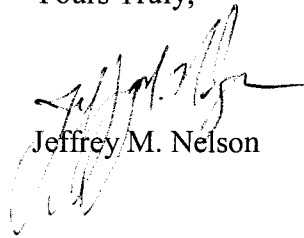
ORS requests that the Commission consider establishing provision(s) for the rapid implementation of regulations to establish a category of "Stretcher Vans" under Article 2 of the Commission regulations. The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS") supports ORS's request.

ORS's letter dated November 16, 2007, to the Commission stated as follows: "ORS requests that the Commission consider establishing a separate docket to implement emergency regulations to define and regulate the operation of 'Stretcher Vans.'" This request was based on ORS's belief that the addition of a new category of certificated motor carriers to include stretcher vans is the most pressing because the State of South Carolina could potentially save significant dollars annually in Medicaid costs. This issue, however, has been placed in Docket 2007-445-A along with ten other regulations or Articles covering a broad range of issues from the representation of Pro Se litigants to performance bonds for water and sewer utilities.

In reviewing the Commission's Docket Management System, it appears that a letter dated December 13, 2007, filed by the HHS in support of a classification of "Stretcher Vans" has been improperly filed under docket 2007-421-T, rather than 2007-445-A. The Commission established a separate docket, Docket No. 2007-421-T, to consider the sole issue of the adoption of a maximum rate tariff.

As stated in the HHS letter, any efforts that can be made to expedite the consideration of regulations to regulate "Stretcher Vans" would be greatly appreciated.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey M. Nelson", written over a faint, circular official stamp.

Jeffrey M. Nelson

cc: Felicity Meyers and Emma Forkner
SCDHHS